

Layer Name: FADs (Fish Aggregating Devices)

Shapefile Name: fad_nmfs_2012

Layer Type: Point

Status: Complete

Geog. Extent: Main Hawaiian Islands

Projection: Geographic Coordinate System – GCS_WGS_1984

Datum: NAD 83

Description: This dataset contains those FADs located in marine waters within the vicinity of the main Hawaiian Islands and recorded on the nautical charts. The most up to date information can be found at <http://www.hawaii.edu/HIBM/FADS/> or by calling (808) 848-2939.

Source : NOAA Fisheries and the Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology

History: Coordinates were taken from the FADs website located at <http://www.hawaii.edu/HIBM/FADS/> and digitized by NOAA Fisheries staff. FADs that no longer exist were removed, however, FADs that were missing, but for which there are replacement plans were included. This layer was completed and is current as of October 4, 2012.

Attributes: Points:

- FID: Feature ID
- Shape: Feature Geometry (used by GIS software)
- Lat: Latitude coordinate of FAD
- Long: Longitude coordinate of FAD
- Name: FAD name
- Island: Island associated with FAD

NOTE: Data not to be used for navigational purposes. Data were not reviewed or authenticated by the Office of Coast Survey, NOAA National Ocean Service. NOAA is not responsible for the use of these data as a navigational tool.

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